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IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph at page 1, lines 5-9 to read as follows:

This application is a division of U.S. Patent No. 6,674,142, issuing January 6, 2004,
which is a continuation of U.S. Patent No. 6,670,660, issued December 30, 2003, and is based
upon and claims the benefit of priority from ~~the prior~~ Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-
296082, filed September 28, 2000, the entire contents of which are incorporated herein by
reference.